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Introduction

The Community Corrections Act (CCA) programs are funded by the Department of Rehabilitation and Correction, through the Bureau of Community Sanctions. CCA Programs are non-residential sanctions that provide local courts with an alternative to prison and jail incarceration. CCA programs have expanded from 17 counties in 1991 to 83 counties in 2010.

Stark County's first CCA Program was established on July 1, 1990 -- the Stark County Intensive Supervision Probation Program. This program was under the direction of the Stark County Court of Common Pleas and the Adult Probation Department. In 1994, with the disbanding of the Stark County Adult Probation Department, the ISP Program began a new phase, working in conjunction with the State of Ohio Adult Parole Authority in providing supervision of offenders for the Court of Common Pleas.

In 1998, the ISP Program joined forces with the Stark County Day Reporting Program with the objective of providing intensive supervision of offenders, as well as providing in-house treatment.

Services Provided:

The Stark County Intensive Supervision Probation and Day Reporting Program seeks to offer an intermediate sanction to the Court by diverting 270 offenders each year from prison and 60 offenders each year from jail. The following services are offered by the program.

- 1. Chemical Dependency Education
- 2. Counseling and relapse prevention
- 3. Anger Management
- 4. Community Work Service
- 5. Vocational/Educational Services
- 6. Random Drug Screening
- 7. Electronic Monitoring/House Arrest
- 8. Supervision & Case Management
- 9. Community Referrals as needed
- 10. Budget/Money Management
- 11. Victim Awareness

Needs such as food, clothing, housing, child care, or medical treatments are addressed through community referrals. The Day Reporting Program works in conjunction with the Mental Health and Recovery Services Board of Stark County, as well as various other local agencies, to coordinate appropriate treatment not provided on site.

The Stark County ISP and Day Reporting Program offer specialized programming, such as the Chance Program which targets offenders with chemical dependency issues, the H.O.P.E. (Helping Offenders Psychologically and Emotionally) Program which targets offenders with mental health issues, expanded services for Non Support offenders, and Honor Court which targets our veterans.

Program Phases:

The Intensive Supervision Program consists of three phases, usually completed within 12-18 months. Upon successful completion of these phases, the offender's case is transferred to the Adult Parole Authority for the remainder of their sentence. While in the program, each offender must successfully complete the following phases:

Phase 1: This phase usually lasts for 60 days and may include electronically monitored house arrest or a residential treatment program. During this time, they report to the Probation Officer, submit to random urine screens as directed, and begin to resolve their special conditions of probation.

Phase 2: This phase lasts approximately four months. During this time, the offender is placed on a curfew. This is monitored by the probation officer and through computerized calls. Offenders will continue with treatment program, training program, employment, office reporting, and drug testing.

This phase lasts approximately six months. During this phase, a defendant is placed on an extended curfew at the probation officer's discretion and based on their performance in the program. The offender will continue to maintain employment, meet curfew requirements, and work on court ordered special conditions.